

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: YMCA of Alaska****Federal Tax ID: 92-0034878****Project Title:****YMCA of Alaska - Anchorage YMCA Expansion****State Funding Requested: \$ 850,000****House District: Anchorage Areawide (17-32)**

Future Funding May Be Requested

**Brief Project Description:**

This project will renovate and provide additional space and upgrades to the Anchorage Community YMCA facility.

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$1,500,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Rasmuson Foundation					\$200,000	
Local Funds					\$250,000	
Other	\$150,000	FY08			\$250,000	
Total	\$150,000				\$700,000	

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Anchorage Community YMCA's Board of Directors established a plan to upgrade and renovate the Anchorage Community YMCA.

Phase I of this project is a locker room addition that would eliminate accessibility challenges for those with special needs, families, and the YMCA's growing senior population.

Phase II is an additional gymnasium with an elevated walking track.

Phase III is the addition of a health and wellness center and warm water therapy and family pool.

The maps and information attached explain the detail and provide visual clarity to the three phases and how they effect the YMCA facility.

**Project Timeline:**

The ground breaking for this project would be Fall 2008. The project would take approximately 6 months.

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Larry Parker

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☐ Yes ☒ No



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February 21, 2008

Letter sent to Meyer, Gara, Cissna, Gardner, Crawford, Ellis & Davis

Dear ,

The Anchorage Community YMCA has been providing social, recreational and health services since the mid 1950's. During this time the Anchorage community has experienced significant change and challenges and the YMCA has been there through it all.

One thing that has not changed is the YMCA being a place for people of all ages and backgrounds to utilize YMCA programs and facilities. Last year the YMCA provided services to over 10,000 people. A recent YMCA Membership Report shows that the age, ethnicity and income level of our membership matches the diversity in the Anchorage community. I have included a copy of that information as well as a copy of a YMCA Member Location Map to show the areas of Anchorage served.

As the need and want for YMCA programs continues to grow, our Board of Directors has embarked on an aggressive plan to accommodate. Phase I is a locker room addition that would eliminate accessibility challenges for those with special needs, families and our growing senior population. It also includes a remodel of the old locker room into a multi purpose exercise space. Phase II is an addition of a gymnasium with an elevated walking track and Phase III is the addition of a health and wellness center and warm water therapy and family pool.

The current YMCA facility opened for service in 1978. It has been taken care of and continues to serve the community. A major project like Phase I and II would greatly enhance our ability to continue and expand the service to the community for years to come.

The cost for the Phase I completion is just over \$1,500,000. We are actively campaigning our membership and community supporters as well as pursuing grants to see this project to completion. A \$150,000 pledge from long time supporters Jim and Joan Flood has given the project a boosted start. We are requesting an \$850,000 allocation from the State toward this project which would be of great assistance to the YMCA and the community we serve.

We look forward to discussing this request with you further.

Sincerely,

Kathe Boucha  
Board President, Anchorage Community YMCA

Larry L. Parker  
CEO, Anchorage Community YMCA



# location of YMCA members

April 2007

Anchorage Community  
YMCA

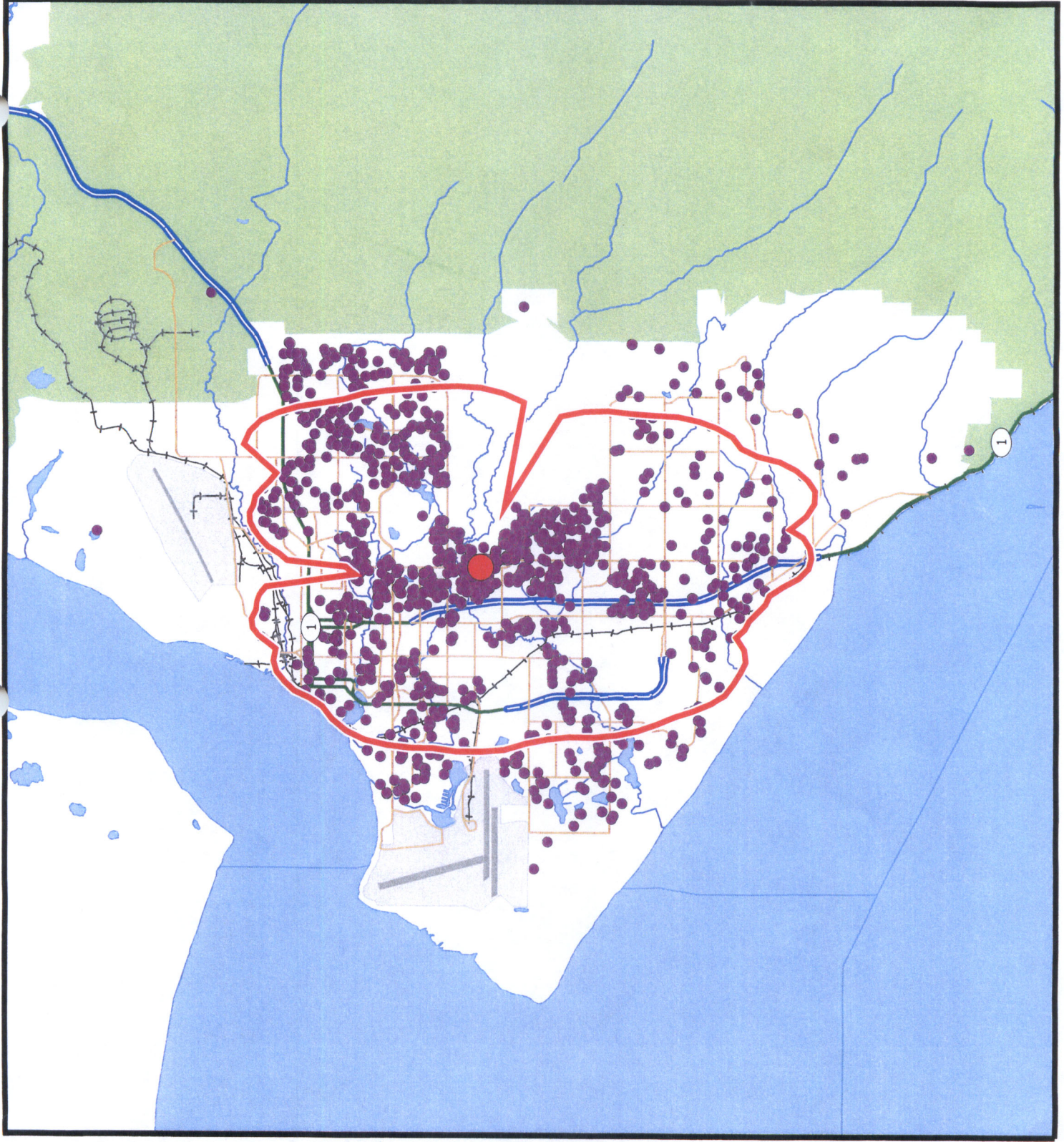
- Anchorage Community YMCA
- 80% of Members → 80% of Members
- Members

## Road Classification

- Limited Access Highway
- US Highway
- State Highway



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# pma and member characteristics

April 2007

Anchorage Community YMCA

members

pma

## Household Income (Match Rate = 99.4%)

Under \$15,000	7.7%	4.3%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	8.8%	7.3%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	9.8%	10.8%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	14.4%	17.5%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	20.3%	23.5%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	15.0%	15.5%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	15.0%	14.9%
Over \$150,000	9.0%	6.1%
Average Household Income	\$75,370	\$71,431

## Head of Household Age (Match Rate = 59.4 %)

<25	7.1%	2.2%
25 - 34	18.9%	15.2%
35 - 44	23.2%	24.4%
45 - 54	24.3%	23.7%
55 - 64	15.2%	18.5%
65+	11.3%	16.0%
Average Age	45.1	49.2

## Ethnicity (Weighted Average)

Caucasian	66.1%	68.0%
African American	5.8%	5.6%
Alaskan/Native American	9.1%	8.2%
Asian	6.6%	6.5%
Pacific Islander	1.2%	1.0%
Other	11.2%	10.7%
Hispanic	7.6%	7.4%

## Household Unit Status

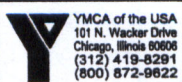
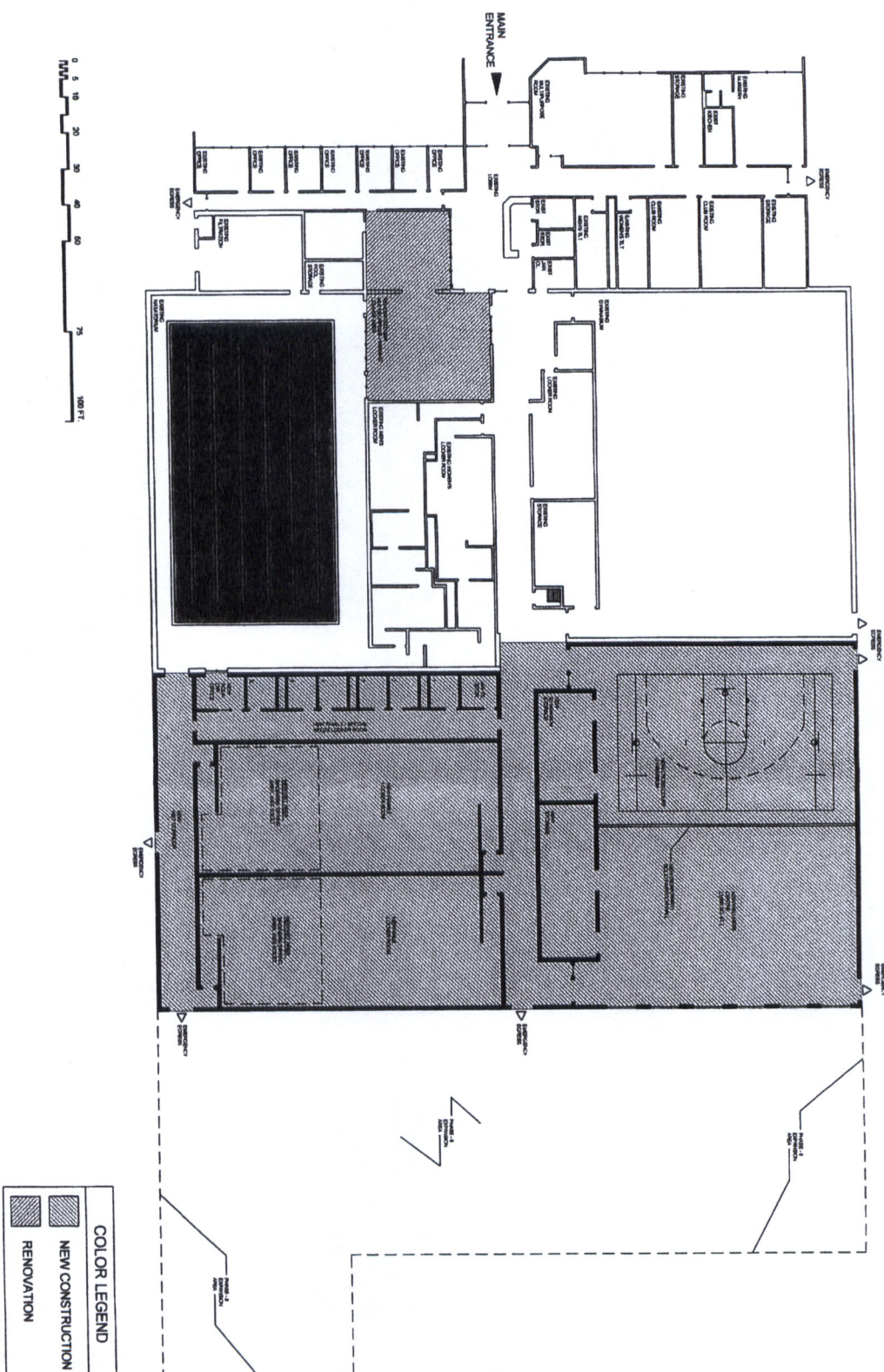
Owner-Occupied	60.0%	57.3%
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## Length of Residence

<1 Year		12.5%
1 - 5 Years		47.3%
5.1 - 10 Years		19.0%
>10 Years		21.3%



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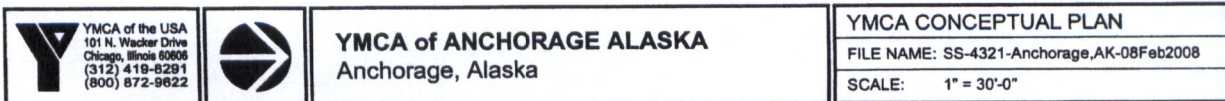


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Anchorage, Alaska

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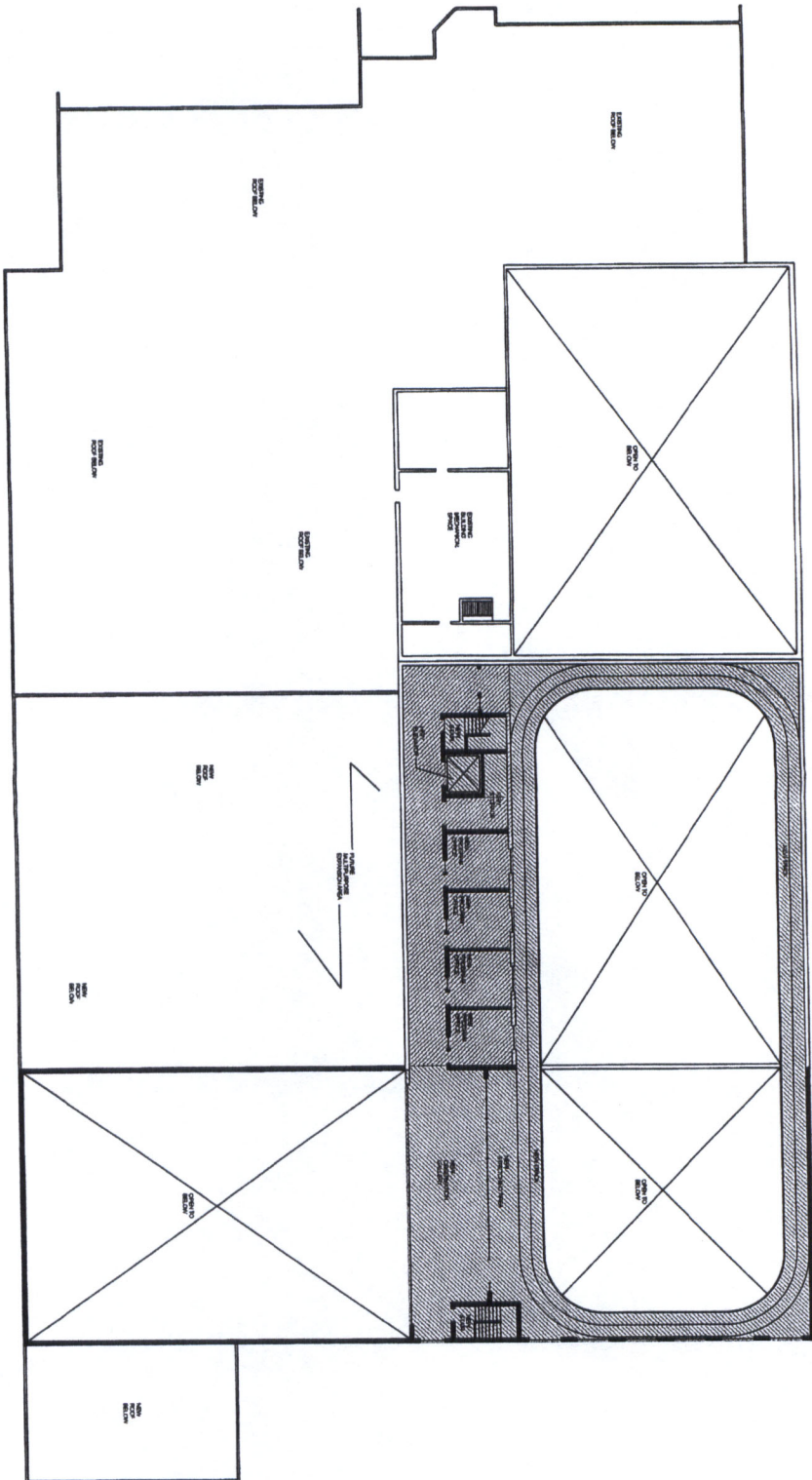
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CONCEPTUAL GROUND FLOOR PLAN - PHASE - II



COLOR LEGEND	
	NEW CONSTRUCTION
	RENOVATION



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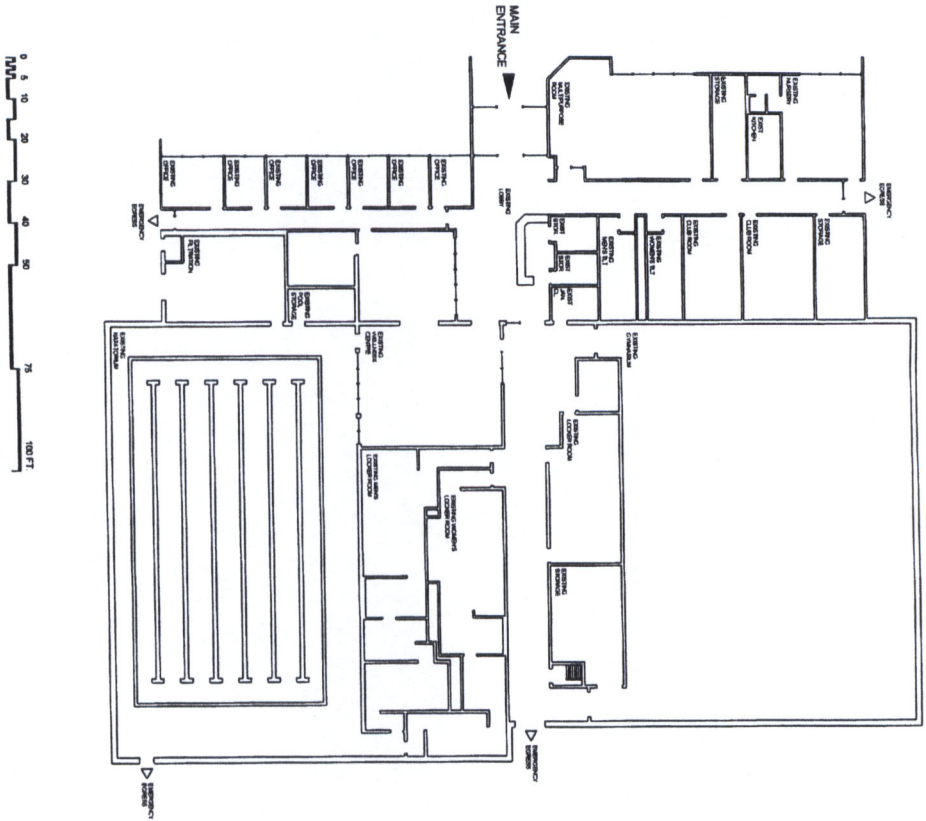


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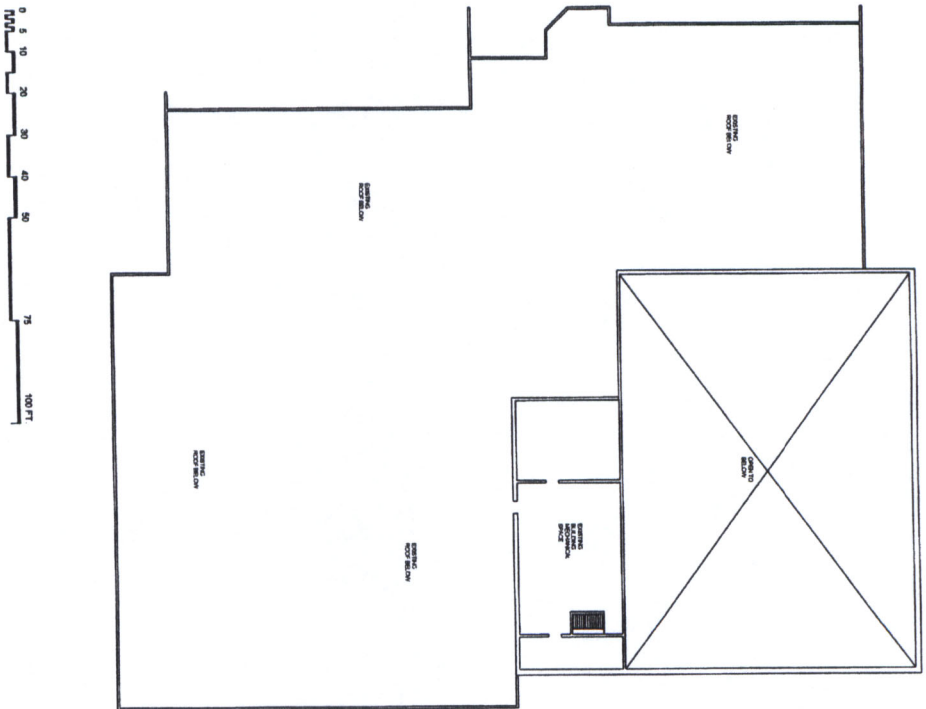
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# EXISTING GROUND FLOOR PLAN



# EXISTING UPPER FLOOR PLAN



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March 3, 2008

Senator Johnny Ellis  
State Capitol, Room 9  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Ellis,

There are currently 2,663 Community YMCA's serving over 20 million people across the United States. There is only one Community YMCA in Alaska serving over 10,000 people in the Anchorage and surrounding areas. That service includes before and after school programs, youth and adult sports programs, swim lessons, aquatic therapy classes, senior citizens programs, late night teen programs and more. The diversity of those served meets or exceeds the diversity of the State of Alaska. The YMCA serves many in the Anchorage area but also accommodates groups from around the state. Last year the YMCA hosted youth groups from Valdez, Fairbanks and the Kenai Peninsula. We also make our facility available, often at no charge, to the Special Olympics, Challenge Alaska, and out of town native basketball teams to accommodate their facility needs while in the Anchorage area. The intent of every person we serve is to model character values such as respect, responsibility, honesty and caring. These values, when modeled for young children and teens especially, have far reaching positive social impacts. 'An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure' is not just a statement when you are talking about young people in today's society.

The Anchorage Community YMCA is asking for a one time allocation from the State of Alaska of \$850,000 toward a \$1,500,000 Locker Room Addition and Remodel Project. The Project would begin in the Fall of 2008 with expected completion within six to nine months. A \$150,000 gift has already been pledged by Jim and Joan Flood, long time YMCA supporters. Membership support, grants and in-kind work will provide the remaining \$500,000 to totally fund this project. Once complete, the maintenance and operation of this project will be funded from the operating budget of the YMCA. The YMCA track record of managing programs and facilities is proven by over 40 years of service to the Anchorage community and this project strengthens that ability. A strong Anchorage Community YMCA also allows us to support other communities looking to start a new YMCA.

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss our project on our recent trip to Juneau. Your time and feedback were greatly appreciated. If you have any additional questions in regards to our project, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Larry L. Parker  
CEO, Anchorage Community YMCA